

Salary Budget Survey

Your best resource for the 2024–2025 budgeting season has arrived. Our Salary Budget Survey features insightful analysis sourced directly from compensation professionals broken out across key firmographic and geographic segments.

Inform how you build out your compensation budget in celebrated detail, with planned salary increase budgets, salary structure adjustments, and promotion increases laid out for each type of employee. A compensation strategy built on data-driven decisions will ensure you don't fall behind in securing and retaining talent in a volatile economy. With trusted data and insights, Payscale is here to help you get pay right.

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2024-2025 Salary Budget Survey

Food, Beverage, & Hospitality industry

Payscale's Salary Budget Survey provides insights on projected salary budget submissions from 1,550 organizations collected between April and June in 2024 to help HR and compensation professionals determine their pay increase strategy for the coming year.

This guide isolates the data for the Food, Beverage, & Hospitality industry in particular. See the full report for additional data, insights, and methodology.

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United States

Salary increase budgets

| | | 2024 Actual Increases | | | | | | | | | 20 | 25 Planne | d Increa | ises | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|
| All Respondents | Genera | al/COLA | Merit Ir | creases | Other I | ncreases | Total Ir | ncreases | Gener | al/COLA | Merit Ir | ncreases | Other I | ncreases | Total I | ncreases |
| | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average |
| Non-exempt Employees | 856 | 1.5% | 1211 | 3.2% | 898 | 0.9% | 1059 | 3.6% | 725 | 1.1% | 1079 | 3.1% | 789 | 0.7% | 959 | 3.5% |
| Exempt (Non- management) Employees | 851 | 1.4% | 1220 | 3.2% | 903 | 0.9% | 1061 | 3.6% | 721 | 1.1% | 1089 | 3.2% | 790 | 0.8% | 966 | 3.5% |
| Managers | 850 | 1.4% | 1221 | 3.2% | 906 | 0.9% | 1058 | 3.6% | 721 | 1.1% | 1085 | 3.2% | 792 | 0.7% | 964 | 3.6% |
| Officers & Executives | 837 | 1.3% | 1165 | 3.0% | 868 | 0.7% | 1025 | 3.4% | 709 | 1.1% | 1037 | 3.0% | 771 | 0.6% | 933 | 3.4% |

| Food, Beverage, & Hospitality | | 2024 Actual Increases | | | | | | | | 2025 Planned Increases | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------|----------|-------|----------|----------|----------|-------|------------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| | General/COLA | | Merit I | ncreases | Other | ncreases | Total In | rcreases | Gener | al/COLA | Merit Ir | rcreases | Other I | ncreases | Total I | ncreases |
| поѕрнанцу | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average |
| Non-exempt Employees | 27 | 1.4% | 39 | 3.3% | 29 | 1.1% | 39 | 3.6% | 25 | 1.0% | 32 | 3.0% | 23 | 1.0% | 31 | 3.4% |
| Exempt (Non- management) Employees | 28 | 1.5% | 42 | 3.4% | 29 | 1.2% | 39 | 3.7% | 25 | 1.0% | 35 | 3.1% | 23 | 1.0% | 31 | 3.5% |
| Managers | 28 | 1.5% | 42 | 3.4% | 30 | 1.2% | 39 | 3.8% | 25 | 1.0% | 34 | 3.1% | 23 | 1.0% | 31 | 3.5% |
| Officers & Executives | 27 | 1.3% | 40 | 3.3% | 29 | 0.9% | 39 | 3.6% | 24 | 0.9% | 33 | 2.9% | 23 | 1.0% | 31 | 3.3% |

Salary structure increases

| All Respondents | 2024 Actu | al Increases | 2025 Planned Increases | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|---------|--|--|
| All Respondents | Count | Average | Count | Average | | |
| Non-exempt Employees | 870 | 2.2% | 822 | 2.2% | | |
| Exempt (Non-management) Employees | 868 | 2.2% | 825 | 2.2% | | |
| Managers | 863 | 2.2% | 830 | 2.2% | | |
| Officers & Executives | 781 | 2.0% | 760 | 2.0% | | |

| Food, Beverage, & Hospitality | 2024 Actu | al Increases | 2025 Planned Increases | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|---------|--|
| 1 000, beverage, & Hospitality | Count | Average | Count | Average | |
| Non-exempt Employees | 28 | 2.3% | 24 | 2.5% | |
| Exempt (Non-management) Employees | 27 | 2.5% | 24 | 2.5% | |
| Managers | 27 | 2.5% | 25 | 2.5% | |
| Officers & Executives | 25 | 2.5% | 23 | 2.5% | |



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| All Respondents | Genera | al/COLA | Merit Ir | ncreases | Other I | ncreases | Total Ir | ncreases | Genera | al/COLA | Merit Ir | ncreases | Other I | ncreases | Total Ir | ncreases |
| | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average |
| Non-exempt Employees | 178 | 1.2% | 265 | 3.0% | 203 | 0.8% | 252 | 3.4% | 165 | 1.0% | 238 | 3.0% | 183 | 0.7% | 227 | 3.3% |
| Exempt (Non- management) Employees | 179 | 1.2% | 281 | 3.1% | 213 | 0.9% | 266 | 3.5% | 167 | 1.0% | 252 | 3.1% | 193 | 0.7% | 240 | 3.4% |
| Managers | 179 | 1.2% | 279 | 3.1% | 212 | 0.8% | 263 | 3.5% | 167 | 1.0% | 249 | 3.1% | 192 | 0.8% | 237 | 3.4% |
| Officers & Executives | 173 | 1.1% | 256 | 2.9% | 195 | 0.6% | 238 | 3.2% | 158 | 0.9% | 227 | 2.9% | 173 | 0.6% | 215 | 3.2% |

| Food, Beverage, & | | 2024 Actual Increases | | | | | | | | 2025 Planned Increases | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|---------|--------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|
| Hospitality | General/COLA | | Merit Ir | ncreases | Other I | ncreases | Total Ir | creases | Genera | al/COLA | Merit II | ncreases | Other In | ncreases | Total I | ncreases |
| поѕрнанцу | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average | Count | Average |
| Non-exempt Employees | 8 | 1.0% | 12 | 3.1% | 9 | 0.5% | 11 | 3.0% | 8 | 0.1% | 10 | 2.9% | 8 | 0.6% | 9 | 3.0% |
| Exempt (Non- management) Employees | 8 | 1.0% | 13 | 3.3% | 10 | 0.6% | 12 | 3.2% | 8 | 0.1% | 11 | 3.2% | 8 | 0.6% | 10 | 3.3% |
| Managers | 8 | 1.0% | 13 | 3.3% | 10 | 0.6% | 12 | 3.2% | 8 | 0.1% | 11 | 3.2% | 8 | 0.6% | 10 | 3.3% |
| Officers & Executives | 8 | 1.0% | 13 | 3.0% | 10 | 0.5% | 12 | 3.0% | 8 | 0.1% | 11 | 2.5% | 8 | 0.1% | 10 | 2.5% |

Salary structure increases

| All Respondents | 2024 Actu | al Increases | 2025 Planned Increases | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|---------|--|
| All Respondents | Count | Average | Count | Average | |
| Non-exempt Employees | 186 | 2.1% | 184 | 2.0% | |
| Exempt (Non-management) Employees | 191 | 2.1% | 189 | 2.1% | |
| Managers | 189 | 2.1% | 188 | 2.1% | |
| Officers & Executives | 168 | 1.8% | 166 | 1.8% | |

| Food, Beverage, & Hospitality | 2024 Actu | ıal Increases | 2025 Planned Increases | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|---------------|------------------------|---------|--|--|
| 1 000, Beverage, a Hoopitality | Count | Average | Count | Average | | |
| Non-exempt Employees | 16 | 1.8% | 15 | 2.4% | | |
| Exempt (Non-management) Employees | 16 | 1.8% | 15 | 2.4% | | |
| Managers | 16 | 1.8% | 15 | 2.4% | | |
| Officers & Executives | 13 | 1.7% | 13 | 2.6% | | |

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